



INFLUENZA VACCINATION OF ADULTS 2006-2007



Burden of Influenza



Hospitalizations: >200,000 annually (average) Deaths: ~36,000 (average)

Attack rate during most

influenza seasons: 5-20%

of US population

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Influenza Season 2006-2007



Recommended Groups for Vaccination

Adults 50 years old and older

Residents of nursing homes

Persons 5 – 49 years old at high risk for complications

Household contacts of persons at high risk for complications

Health care workers

Pregnant women

Children 6-59 months old

> Anyone wishing to decrease their risk of illness

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Vaccination of Adults



Vaccine available in communities in Oct

Optimal time to vaccinate is Oct and Nov

Vaccination should continue in Dec and later (flu season Oct-May)

To ensure supply, schedule additional vaccination clinics in Nov and Dec

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Influenza Vaccine: Medicare



Medicare covers flu vaccine for free Beneficiaries in managed care plan - ~15% pop (e.g., Medicare Advantage)

need to receive shots within plan
 Beneficiaries in fee for service can receive in any setting that takes
 Medicare

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Over 75 m doses by end Oct, additional vaccine Nov/Dec

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Influenza Vaccine Supply

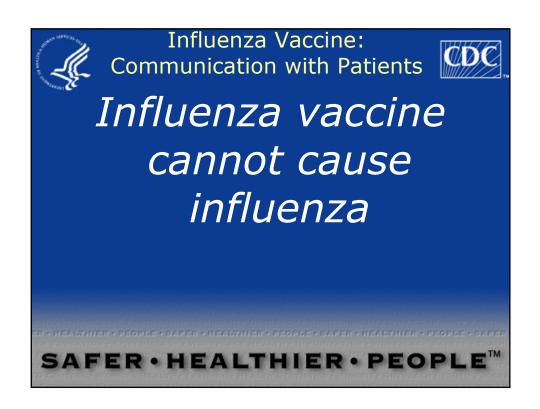


 More vaccine available this season compared to any previous season

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	Influenza Vaccine	
	Supply	
	Doses Produced (millions)	Doses Distributed (millions)
1980	15.7	12.4
1985	23.1	20.1
1990	32.3	28.3
1995	71.5	54.9
1999	77.2	76.8
2000	77.9	70.4
2001	87.7	77.7
2002	95.0	83.0
2003	86.9	83.1
2004	61.0	56.5
2005	88.1	81.1





Influenza Vaccine:
Communication with Patients
It takes two weeks for the vaccine to become protective
It is possible to be infected with influenza virus after vaccination
Therefore, people can develop influenza disease after being vaccinated
Other microbes besides influenza cause influenza-like illness

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